

**COMBINED AMENDMENT & PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF
TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) (Large Entity)**

Docket No.

17469

In Re Application Of: **Kazunori Taniguchi, et al.**

Application No.

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Invention: **SURGICAL INSTRUMENT****COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:**

This is a combined amendment and petition under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of April 8, 2008 in the above-identified application.
Date

The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):

☒ One month ☐ Two months ☐ Three months ☐ Four months ☐ Five months

from: July 8, 2008 until: August 8, 2008
Date *Date*

The fee for the amendment and extension of time has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS AS AMENDED

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST # PREV. PAID FOR	NUMBER EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	9 -	20 =	0	x \$50.00	\$0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	1 -	3 =	0	x \$210.00	\$0.00
FEE FOR AMENDMENT					\$0.00
FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME					\$120.00
TOTAL FEE FOR AMENDMENT AND EXTENSION OF TIME					\$120.00

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The fee for the amendment and extension of time is to be paid as follows:

- ☐ A check in the amount of _____ for the amendment and extension of time is enclosed.
- ☒ Please charge Deposit Account No. **19-1013/SSMP** in the amount of **\$120.00**
- ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. **19-1013/SSMP**
- ☒ Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16.
- ☒ Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.
- ☐ If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No.
- ☐ Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.

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